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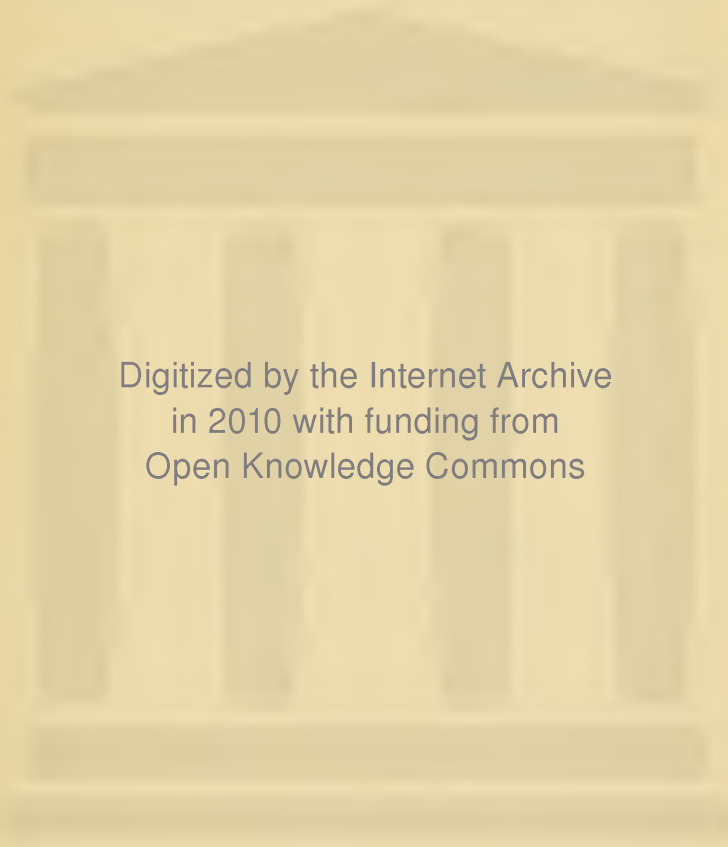
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# Conference

of the

## Local Committees on the Prevention of Tuberculosis

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of the

## State Charities Aid Association

To be held

Friday and Saturday, March 18th and 19th, 1910

At Albany, N. Y.

**T**HE Conference Headquarters will be at the Ten Eyck Hotel. All visiting delegates are requested to register and secure badges. Information may be had at Headquarters regarding Hotels and Boarding Houses granting special rates. The Trunk Line Association has made a special rate of a fare and three-fifths. Tickets for all sessions except the Mass Meeting may be obtained at the Registration Bureau at Headquarters.

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You are cordially invited to attend a

**CONFERENCE**

of the

**LOCAL COMMITTEES ON  
THE PREVENTION OF TUBERCULOSIS**

of the

**STATE CHARITIES AID ASSOCIATION**

To be held

Friday and Saturday, March Eighteenth and Nineteenth  
Nineteen Hundred and Ten

At Albany, New York

On Saturday afternoon Hon. Joseph H. Choate will  
preside, and President Taft, Governor Hughes and others  
will speak.

Admission to these Sessions will be by ticket.

Tickets will be issued to the capacity of the hall in the order  
of the receipt of applications. Seats will be reserved until within  
five minutes of the hour of opening. It will probably be neces-  
sary to limit the number of seats assigned on a single application  
to two. Special requests for additional tickets will be granted,  
if possible.

The return card enclosed should be mailed at once if seats  
are desired.

## **NO UNCARED-FOR TUBERCULOSIS IN 1915**

### **THOUSANDS OF CONSUMPTIVES IN THIS STATE ARE NOW UNCARED-FOR.**

Until within the past two years, outside of New York City, Rochester and Yonkers, no systematic steps were being taken for the Prevention and Control of Tuberculosis—the leading cause of death, poverty, sickness and distress.

The State is now awake.

Much has been accomplished in two years.

MORE must be accomplished in the next few years.

### **THE OBJECT OF THIS CONFERENCE IS**

To put before the Sixty Local Committees on the Prevention of Tuberculosis of the State Charities Aid Association, and before the public officials and the people of the State, in the strongest possible light, a comprehensive program for the provision of dispensaries, nurses, hospitals, and other preventive agencies, to be secured in the next five years, to the end that we may have in New York State

## **NO UNCARED-FOR TUBERCULOSIS IN 1915**

At the same time we wish to put prominently forward a thoroughly conservative and scientific estimate, endorsed by the highest medical authorities, as to what we may expect to accomplish in

### **The Reduction of the Tuberculosis Death Rate by 1920:**

If every County has a tuberculosis hospital or sanatorium by 1915;

If every City and every village has a visiting nurse;

If every City and every Village of over 5,000 people has a free dispensary;

If all the living cases of tuberculosis are reported to the health officer;

If every living case is in a hospital or sanatorium, or under proper supervision at home;

If disinfection after every removal or death of a tuberculosis patient is thoroughly done.

## **NO UNCARED-FOR TUBERCULOSIS IN 1915**



# NO UNCARED-FOR TUBERCULOSIS IN 1915

## PROGRAM

First Session,

Friday, March 18th, at 2:30 P. M.

Centennial Hall, Lodge and Pine Streets.

HON. HOMER FOLKS,  
Secretary of the State Charities Aid Association,  
Presiding.

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In order to carry out the program, it will be necessary to limit speakers strictly to the time allotted.

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### Topic:

### DISCOVERY AND SUPERVISION OF CASES IN THE HOME.

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A 20-minute paper.

1. ENFORCEMENT OF THE TUBERCULOSIS LAW—The Duty and the Opportunity of the Local Health Officer, by HON. CHARLES C. DURYEE, Mayor and ex-Health Officer of Schenectady.
2. SYMPOSIUM—Agencies for Carrying Into Effect the Provisions of the Law.

Each 15 minutes.

**The Physician**, by DR. HENRY L. K. SHAW, Secretary of the Albany Committee on the Prevention of Tuberculosis.

**The Dispensary**, by DR. H. W. CAREY, Troy, N. Y., Secretary of the Tuberculosis Relief Committee.

**The Visiting Nurse**, by MISS ANNA LANTZ, Geneva, N. Y., Visiting Nurse of the Geneva Public Health Committee.

**Relief**, by MISS ETHEL VAN BENTHUYSEN, Chairman of the Relief Committee of the Albany Committee on the Prevention of Tuberculosis.

### GENERAL DISCUSSION.

Speakers limited to five minutes each.

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In the State, outside of New York City, there were 6,147 deaths from Tuberculosis in 1909.

## AWAKENING A STATE.

**Educational Effort** in the joint campaign of the State Charities Aid Association and the State Department of Health during the past two years, for the purpose of widely disseminating the knowledge about tuberculosis, has included:

- Campaigns in connection with the exhibition of the State Department of Health in 27 of the largest cities;
- Similar small exhibitions shown at 78 county fairs and 2 State fairs and in 24 villages;
- Three hundred and ninety-six public meetings and stereopticon lectures have been held at which the total attendance has been 248,649, and the total number of speakers 766;
- Phonograph lectures on tuberculosis have been given to probably two and one-half million people, who have attended the exhibitions and the fairs;
- 1,446,052 leaflets have been distributed;
- Sixty permanent local committees, including in each case the most influential citizens of the localities, have been established in cities and villages where exhibitions have been shown, with a total membership of 3,087;
- Six hundred and ninety-one press notices have been sent out weekly to daily and weekly papers.

## THE RESULT AND THE FORECAST

Constructive Measures for the Control of Tuberculosis	October 1 1907	March 1 1910	Forecast 1915
1 State hospital beds	164	328	1500
2 County hospitals	0	8	57
3 City hospitals	1	8	22
4 Camps	None	6	unnecessary
5 Free dispensaries	2	13	85
6 Visiting nurses	2	29	150
7 Localities providing special relief	2	8	85
8 Reported living cases	2657	6893	ALL

The above does not include New York City, nor does it take into account almshouse hospitals

**A Hope:—No Tuberculosis in New York State in 19—?**

**PROGRAM**

**Second Session,**

**Friday, March 18th, at 8:30 P. M.**

**Banquet Hall, The Ten Eyck,**

**PROF. GEORGE F. CANFIELD,**

**Chairman of the Committee on the Prevention of Tuberculosis of  
the State Charities Aid Association,  
Presiding.**

**Topic:**

**TUBERCULOSIS AS A SCHOOL PROBLEM.**

**Papers 15 minutes each.**

- 1. TEACHING THE ESSENTIAL FACTS TO SCHOOL CHILDREN, by DR. OSCAR H. ROGERS, of the Sanitary League, Yonkers, N. Y.**

**Discussion.**

**Not to Exceed 5 Minutes Each.**

- 2. MEDICAL INSPECTION OF SCHOOL CHILDREN WITH RESPECT TO THE PREVENTION OF TUBERCULOSIS, by DR. GEORGE W. GOLER, Health Officer, Rochester, N. Y.**

**Discussion.**

**Not to Exceed 5 Minutes Each.**

- 3. OPEN AIR SCHOOLS FOR CHILDREN PREDISPOSED TO TUBERCULOSIS, by MR. LEONARD P. AYRES, Associate Director of the Department of Child Hygiene of the Russell Sage Foundation, New York City.**

**Discussion.**

**Not to Exceed 5 Minutes Each.**

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**One-third of all who die in middle life are victims of  
this preventable disease.**

**ROLL OF HONOR.**

Cities and Villages on the Roll of Honor are in three groups:

- A. Those having a nurse, a free dispensary and hospital or sanatorium provision.
- B. Those having two of the above-mentioned provisions.
- C. Those having one of the above agencies.

Group A	Group B	Group C
Albany	Binghamton	Canandaigua
Buffalo	Cohoes	Elmira
Geneva	Dunkirk	Jamestown
Rochester	Niagara Falls	Kingston
Yonkers	Poughkeepsie	Middletown
	Rome	Newburgh
	Schenectady	Olean
	Syracuse	Palmyra
	Troy	
	Utica	
	Watertown	

**IS YOUR CITY ON THE ROLL OF HONOR?**

Counties on the Roll of Honor include those having either made appropriation for a county hospital or definitely authorized the construction of such a hospital:

Dutchess	Onondaga	Schenectady
Jefferson	Ontario	Ulster
Monroe	Rensselaer	

The Board of Supervisors of the following counties have appointed committees to consider the question of establishing a county hospital:

Broome	Cortland	St. Lawrence
Cattaraugus	Orange	Washington
Cayuga	Oswego	Wayne
Chautauqua	Saratoga	

**IS YOUR COUNTY ON THE ROLL OF HONOR?**

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**The Hospital is the most Important Agency for the Control of Tuberculosis.**

**PROGRAM**

**Third Session,**

Saturday, March 19th, at 10:30 A. M.

Centennial Hall, Lodge and Pine Streets.

**MR. JOHN A. KINGSBURY,**

Assistant Secretary of the State Charities Aid Association,  
Presiding.

**Topic:**

**INSTITUTIONAL CARE OF TUBERCULOSIS AS THE  
BEST MEANS OF PREVENTION AND CURE.**

**Papers 15 minutes each.**

1. **ADVANTAGES OF INSTITUTIONAL CARE**, by DR. JOHN H. PRYOR, of Buffalo, N. Y., Former Superintendent, and Member of Board of Trustees, State Hospital for Incipient Tuberculosis.

**Discussion.**

Not to Exceed 5 Minutes Each.

2. **ADVANTAGES OF LOCAL CARE AND TREATMENT**, by DR. ALBERT H. GARVIN, Superintendent State Hospital for Incipient Tuberculosis, Ray Brook, N. Y.  
DR. S. ADOLPHUS KNOFF, New York City.

**Discussion.**

Not to Exceed 5 Minutes Each.

3. **COST OF INSTITUTIONAL PROVISION**, by DR. HERBERT MAXON KING, Physician-in-Chief Loomis Sanatorium, Liberty, N. Y.

**Discussion.**

Not to Exceed 5 Minutes Each.

4. **THE NECESSITY FOR STATE SUPERVISION**, by HON. EUGENE H. PORTER, M.D., State Commissioner of Health.

**Discussion.**

Not to Exceed 5 Minutes Each.

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**TUBERCULOSIS IS A PREVENTABLE DISEASE**



**TUBERCULOSIS CAN BE PREVENTED.**

Of this we are assured by the highest scientific medical authority. Professor William H. Welsh, of Johns Hopkins University, says:

“It is in my judgment a conservative statement that at least one-half of the existing sickness and mortality from tuberculosis could be prevented within the next two decades by the application of rational and entirely practicable measures, and I believe we can look forward to a much larger success.”

Boston, New York City and London have already cut in half their death rates from tuberculosis.

Why should not the smaller cities and rural communities, where conditions are more favorable, do likewise?

**To cut in half the death rate from tuberculosis in New York State, outside of New York City, would mean AN ANNUAL SAVING OF 3,000 HUMAN LIVES.**

Even to stamp out this Disease and save 6,000 human lives is probably possible. The fullest and heartiest co-operation of every agency, public and private, and of every citizen in the State, is needed to carry out this program. Every one can help to secure in his own city or county a visiting nurse, a free dispensary, a city or county hospital and other needed relief.

Will you help to carry out  
the Program in your locality?

**PROGRAM**

**Final Session**

Saturday, March 19th, at 2.30 P. M.

**Harmanus Bleecker Hall**

**HON. JOSEPH H. CHOATE,**

President of the State Charities Aid Association, Presiding

**Prayer**

**RT. REV. THOMAS M. A. BURKE, D.D.**

“THE FORECAST AND THE PROPHECY”

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Human Lives are at Stake

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No Other Opportunity for the Promotion of  
Social Well-Being Compares in Importance

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The Prevention of Tuberculosis

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Duty is measured by Knowledge and  
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germ diseases to disappear from the earth.”**

**—*Pasteur.***





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